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Art Unit: 1637

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Tanya A. Arenson on June 1, 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

- 1. Claim 3, line : delete --, and wherein the primers specifically and selectively amplify each of the four different HPV genotypes when said genotypes are present at a copy number of 62.5 or greater in said biological sample--.
- 7/8/2010

2. Delete claim 4-7 without prejudice.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The claims as amended require the presence of each recited primer pair (SEQ ID NOs) in a single PCR. Furthermore, Applicant provides evidence of an unexpected property of the recited primer pairs as compared to the prior art (see remarks dated